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The information listed below may be material to the examination of the above-identified application. Copies of the information and completed PTO-1449 forms are submitted herewith. The Examiner is respectfully requested to make this information of official record in the application. The information includes:

- U.S. Patent No. 4,478,677 issued October 23, 1984 to Chen et al.;
- U.S. Patent No. 4,490,210 issued December 25, 1984 to Chen et al.;
- U.S. Patent No. 4,490,211 issued December 25, 1984 to Chen et al.;
- U.S. Patent No. 4,923,772 issued May 8, 1990 to Kirch et al.;

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- U.S. Patent No. 5,500,071 issued March 19, 1996 to Kaltenbach et al.;
- U.S. Patent No. 5,571,410 issued November 5, 1996 to Swedberg et al.;
- U.S. Patent No. 5,658,413 issued August 19, 1997 to Kaltenbach et al.;

Japanese Publication No. 7-241690 published September 19, 1995 (English language abstract);

Japanese Publication No. 7-80675 published March 28, 1995 (English translation); and

Krajnovich et al., "Formation of 'Intrinsic' Surface Defects During 248 mn Photoablation of Polyimide," *J. Appl. Phys.* 73:3001-3008 (1993).

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